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MEETING ON SHARING INFLUENZA VIRUS SAMPLES AND VACCINE
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(SBU) ESTOff delivered reftel demarche and nonpaper on July 26 to Jo Newstead, Head of International, Cross-Government, Legal, and Secretariat Business of Pandemic Influenza Planning at the UK Department of Health. Newstead has been in direct communication with Washington on these issues, including the upcoming meeting in Singapore. Newstead continues to coordinate internally with FCO, the Patent Office, the Department for International Development (DfID) and the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (DEFRA). Newstead agreed to review the nonpaper and send substantive comments directly back to John Lange, David Holman and Bruce Gellin in Washington.

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